

**Remarks**

This Amendment is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated **July 30, 2004**. In the action it was asserted that Applicant's response, filed on 7/12/04, failed to list the claims in ascending order. Due to a claim numbering error in the application as filed, Applicant is presently canceling all of the claims as filed and adding new claims 45-87. The new claims are identical to the claims as filed except that the new claims are correctly numbered.

In the official action mailed June 30, 2004, an Election/Restriction was issued. The Applicant is required to elect Group I, which corresponds to original claims 1-17 and 32-35 (New claims 45-60 and 75-78), or Group II, which corresponds to original claims 18-31 (New claims 61-74).

The official action also made the following species restrictions:

Species I:	Fig. 1.
Species II:	Fig. 2.
Species III:	Fig. 3.
Species IV:	Fig. 7.
Species V:	Fig. 8.
Species VI:	Fig. 9.
Species VII:	Fig. 10.
Species VIII:	Fig. 11.
Species IX:	Fig. 12.

Applicant has replaced the original claims with the above new claims. The claims as filed were numbered incorrectly. A duplicate claim 44 was also filed. It is also noted that the official action issuing the Restriction/Election did not address original claims 36, 39-45 and the second occurrence of claim 44, as filed.

In Response to the Election/Restriction, Applicant hereby elects Group II, corresponding to new claims 61-74, which correspond to original claims 18-31, and Species IV, corresponding to Fig. 7. It believed that new claims 61, 63-72 and 74 read upon the species election.

Respectfully submitted,

VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS

By: 

William E. Anderson II  
Registration No.: 37766

Date: August 10, 2004

6109 Blue Circle Drive, Suite 2000  
Minnetonka, MN 55343-9185  
Telephone: (952) 563-3000  
Facsimile: (952) 563-3001

f:\wpwork\wea\09090us01\_amd\_20040810.doc